

Wild Plant Hikes

Sponsored by The Friends of Turkey Run and Shades State Parks



May 13 May 27 June 3 June 10 June 17 July 1

- Pre-registration required
- All programs occur on Sundays at 10am
- We meet in the Planetarium room at the Turkey Run Nature Center
- The programs will last 2 1/2 to 3 hours each
- Not recommended for children. No pets please.

All hikes will be conducted by Rich Scott, a former park naturalist who is currently cataloging a comprehensive list of all plants in Turkey Run.

These hikes are intended to widen your appreciation and understanding of wildflowers, trees, shrubs, and ferns and to invite you to enjoy nature on a deeper level. We will discuss the edible, medicinal and other uses of many plants we encounter as well as tell their often fascinating stories. We will also talk about ways you can recognize these plants when you meet them again on your own walks in the wild.

Plant study can be as much fun as bird watching and is often better suited to some people's leisure time. You can enjoy it close to home or you can explore new worlds in dunes, marshes, prairies, woods, or even in an empty city lot.

Birders watch out. Here come the plant people.

To register for any of the above hikes, email Rich Scott at redbud@bloomingdaletel.com or call the Turkey Run Nature Center at 765-597-2654. Register early! Each hike is limited to 15 people. (In case of heavy rain or thunderstorms, hike will be cancelled.)

